

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**  
**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**  
**December 3, 1999**

<b>IN RE:</b>	)	
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<b>PETITION OF U.S. LEC OF</b>	)	<b>DOCKET NO. 99-00567</b>
<b>TENNESSEE, INC. TO ENFORCE</b>	)	
<b>INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS</b>	)	
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**ORDER APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER**

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This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on November 23, 1999, for appointment of a Hearing Officer in the matter of U.S. LEC of Tennessee, Inc.'s Petition To Enforce Interconnection Agreements / Complaint against BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

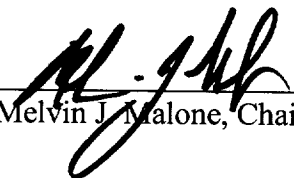
At the above-referenced Authority Conference, the Directors unanimously appointed the General Counsel or his designee to act as Hearing Officer in this proceeding to hear preliminary matters prior to the Hearing, and to set a procedural schedule to completion.

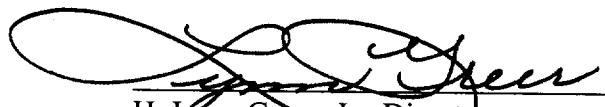
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The General counsel or his designee is appointed Hearing Officer in this matter to set a procedural schedule to completion; and

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2. Any party aggrieved with the Authority's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Authority within ten (10) days from the date of this Order.

  
Melvin J. Malone, Chairman

  
H. Lynn Greer, Jr., Director

  
Sara Kyle, Director

ATTEST:

  
K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary